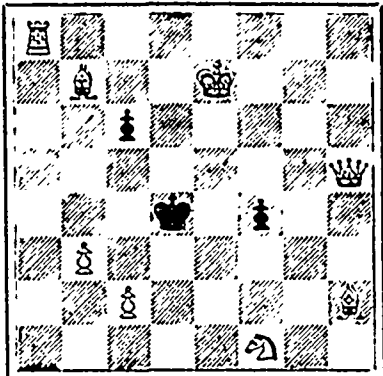


CHIESS.

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Solution to problem No. 94, R to Q7. Solved by Mrs. H. Moseley, C. W. Laundy and J. W. Wallace.

PROBLEM No. 96.
BLACK 3 pieces.



WHITE 8 pieces.
White to play and mate in 2 move.

GAME—No. 77.
INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE TOURNEY.

Present Score—United States 22½;
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THE GAME THAT MADE THE TIE FOR FIRST PLACE.

The game between Messrs. Weiss and Mason, which resulted in the tie for first prize, was a French defence. After twenty-three moves it was declared a draw. Played in the Sixth American Chess Congress, May 21, 1889.

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| WHITE
Weiss. | BLACK
Mason. |
| 1 P to K4 | P to K3 |
| 2 P to Q4 | P to Q4 |
| 3 Kt to QB3 (a) | Kt to KB3 (b) |
| 4 P to K5 (c) | KKt to Q2 |
| 5 P to B4 | P to QB4 |
| 6 P takes P | Kt to QB3 |
| 7 P to QR3 | B takes P |
| 8 Q to Kt4 | Castles (d) |
| 9 B to Q3 | P to B4 |
| 10 Q to R3 | B takes Kt (e) |
| 11 R takes B | Kt to B4 |
| 12 B to Q2 (f) | Kt takes B |
| 13 Q takes Kt | P to QR3 |
| 14 Castles (QR) | P to QKt4 |
| 15 Kt to K2 | B to Q2 (g) |
| 16 P to KKt4 | P takes P |
| 17 R takes P | B to K sq |
| 18 Q to KKt3 | B to Kt3 |
| 19 B to K3 (h) | Kt to K2 (i) |
| 20 Kt to Q4 (j) | Kt to B4 |
| 21 Kt takes Kt | R takes Kt |
| 22 R to Q2 | R to QB sq |
| 23 R to Kt5 | R takes R (k) |

Drawn.

NOTES.

BY MR. F. M. TEED.

(a) 3—P tks P, formerly considered to be the strongest continuation, is not now so frequently played as the text move.

(b) Far better than either 3—B to K5 or 3—P tks P.

(c) 4—B to K Kt5 if also a favorite attack, in which Black would reply B to K2.

(d) Apparently hazardous, but any other line of play is disadvantageous, and Black continues ultimately to equalize positions by thus taking chances.

(e) Best, as he is now enabled to remove the hostile King's Bishop, and

White's contemplated attack by P to K Kt4 is thereby made less embarrassing.

(f) White cannot very well preserve the other Bishop, for if 12—B to K2, then 12—Kt to Q5, &c.

(g) This piece is developed just in time to go over to the King's side and secure Black's position.

(h) Most players would push King's Rook's Pawn at this point, but Black might retort with Q to B2 or R to R2, and either move would be sufficient for the emergency.

(i) Leading to reduction of forces and ensuing simplification of position, which renders a draw almost inevitable.

(j) White cannot secure any advantage by now playing R to B5, Q to B2 in reply would give Black at least an even game.

(k) With Bishops running on squares of opposite colors, a drawn game is now the only legitimate result.—*Montreal Gazette.*

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SOLUTION.

PROBLEM 130. Position—Black men 2, 3, 12, 20, 23, king 32; white men 9, 18, 25, 31, kings 17, 19; black to move and win:—
3—7 9 2 20—24 32—23
19 26 12—16 11 27 b. wins.
2—6 2 11

GAME XXVI.

"Alma"—Improves Drummond's play and Baker's "Alma Opening," by J. McFarlane, Glasgow.

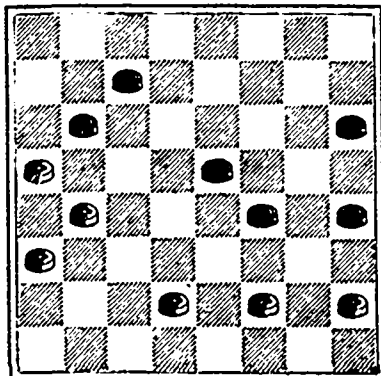
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11—15	7—11	4—8	10—19
23 19	19 16	22 18	17 10
8—11	12—19	15—22	6—15
22 17	23 7	26 17	25 22
3—8	2—11	11—16	1—6
25 22	26 23	29 25	22 17
11—16	9—14	16—19	5—9
27 23	30 26	23 14	31 26
16—20	8—12	12—19	8—12
32 27	13 17	24 15	

This gives us the following position which we give as

PROBLEM No. 132.

Black men 6, 9, 12, 15, 19, 20.



White men 13, 17, 21, 26, 27, 28.
White to move. What result?

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